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MAJOR PERKINS DEFENDS HIS TITLE AS A POET.

I have been told I was not a natural born poet, Not any more than a sheep was a goat. And while I know my muse has got kinder rusted, That doesn't imply as a poet I am busted! And though mine is not the kind called sublime, It never fails to get there exactly on time! For I write about bachelors, teachers and such things, And am willing to be judged by the results it brings. My poem, marriage is the chief concern of mortals here below, May I its great importance learn, its sovereign virtue know! Has already begun to bring in its dividends And there's no telling what will happen before it ends! Two bachelors and two teachers have already gone overboard, And two more teachers can only be saved by the mercy of the Lord! While another BELL is tinkling in the wind And offers me \$50 to take the spell off of him! But I shall let that poem do its deadly work; Its good influence has only just begun; This old bachelor shall not from his duty shirk, But come up and take his medicine like a man! The bachelors and teachers ought to give a loving rep, Because I came to the rescue just about the time the jig was up! To my memory they ought to erect a monument, And have inscribed upon it his poetry did the work where ever it went! I may not dot my i's, cross my t's or mind my p's and q's, But when my poetry comes down the pike it always brings good news. For then the matrimonial market gets all in a flurry, And the maidens bold and bachelors old get off in a hurry! Now, I ask not worldly honor, or from the people praise. I can write about stars, moonshine and the blue sky ethereal; But in this life that cuts no ice and don't get there, Eli.

ELI PERKINS.

No matter how high they go the viators get nothing but a record—or a broken neck. When a man says you are too smart to be fooled, look out; he is getting ready to spring a new one on you. Savannah has her own brand of piety. She lets the blind tigers run free days, but makes them observe the Sabbath. Let a man sit down and size himself up as others see him, and the result is apt to be more or less discouraging. No man knows anything about heaven who is content that others shall sit for happiness till they get there. Some women would walk half a mile keep from hearing a compliment to their rival. It's easy to see why some girls prefer the sun bath on the sand to the et bath in the surf. Some men can't even drop a hint without breaking their word.

K. P. DISTRICT MEETING.

The District Meeting of the Knights of Pythias was held in Guntown last Tuesday, August 23rd. At 10:30 o'clock in the morning a business meeting was held at the Lodge Room. In the afternoon an open session was held at the Methodist Church. The Address of Welcome was delivered by Mayor N. H. Crenshaw; the Response to the Address of Welcome was delivered by Prof. Julius Berry. Hon. E. S. Candler, Jr., delivered an address on the Origin of Pythianism and Its Great Work. Hon. H. M. Quinn also delivered an address. At 7:30 o'clock degree work at the Lodge Room. All the Grand Lodge officers were present. After the Degree Work, there was a Dutch Supper, and the well known reputation of Guntown Lodge No. 160 for hospitality, guaranteed a royal good time to all who came—Guntown Hot Times. A man that studieth revenge keepeth his own wounds green, which otherwise would heal and do heal. Every singer in a quartet can point out three good reasons why the organization isn't absolutely perfect. Would-be progressive people sometimes forget that a freight train makes more noise than the fast express. If we would only do our thinking before acting we would save a lot of brain fog later on. Many a thief goes to prison because he neglects to steal enough to fee a first-class lawyer. Whoever is contented, he is rich. Strength of mind is exercise, not rest. Those can conquer who think they can. The truest wisdom is a resolute determination. Be not simply good, but be good for something. Who gives a trifle—meanly is meaner than a trifle. The favorite song of the distiller is "Drink to me only with your eyes." Bury your sorrows by digging up happiness for others. The service at the Methodist church next Sunday night promises to be very interesting. Instead of the regular sermon the service will be for the young people. The service will be interspersed with special music, recitations, some short papers read by the young men and young women in the Epworth League and there will be a public installation of the officers of both the Senior and Junior Leagues. The officers elect are, Seniors, President, Mr. Ollie Conner. 1st Vice President, Mrs. W. O. Harbour. 2nd Vice President, Miss. Sallie Conner. 3rd Vice President, Mrs. Theresa Cavin. 4th Vice President, Mr. W. W. Bass. Secretary, Miss Sylvia Harbour. Treasurer, Mrs. Mary McDonnell. Era agent, Mrs. Effie Ray Herndon. Librarian, Miss. Arvilla Foster. Junior, Superintendent, Mrs. Theresa Cavin. Organist, Miss Sallie Haley. Junior Officers, President, Walter Smith Jr. 1st Vice President, Elizabeth McDonnell. 2nd Vice President, Mildred Dawson. 3rd Vice President Mary Lee Foster. 4th Vice President Josephine Miller. Secretary, Effie Swan. Treasurer, Albert Gunn. Era Agent, Charline LaGrone. Librarian, Nettie Cox. Organist, Clara Henson. The public is cordially invited.

THEY HAVE A DEFINITE PURPOSE.

Foley Kidney Pills gives quick relief in case of kidney and bladder ailments. Mrs. Rose Glaser, Terre Haute, Ind., tells the result in her case, "After suffering for many years from a serious case of Kidney trouble and spending much money for so called cures, I found Foley Kidney Pills the only medicine that gave me a permanent cure. I am again able to be up and attend to my work. I shall never hesitate to recommend them." Sold by all druggists.

Miladi says, speaking of divorce, that it is a great pity when a woman is too pretty to stay married.

FOR QUICK RELIEF FROM HAY FEVER

Asthma and summer bronchitis, take Foley's Honey and Tar. It quickly relieves the discomfort and suffering and the annoying symptoms disappear. It soothes and heals the inflamed air passages of the head, throat and bronchial tubes. It contains no opiates and no harmful drugs. Refuse substitutes. Sold by all druggists.

It is far better to be alone in this world of sorrow, than to bring up a child to play on the accordion.

FROM SICKNESS TO "EXCELLENT HEALTH"

So says Mrs. Chas. Lyon, Peoria, Ill.: "I found in your Foley Kidney Pills a prompt and speedy cure for backache and kidney trouble which bothered me for many months. I am now enjoying excellent health which I owe to Foley Kidney Pills." Sold by all druggists.

Every time a man makes a serious mistake it lessens his confidence in himself—and others.

ACUTE OR CHRONIC—WHICH?

No matter if your kidney trouble is acute or chronic Foley's Kidney Remedy will reach your case. Mr. Claude Brown, Reynoldsville, Ill., writes us that he suffered many months with kidney complaint which baffled all treatment. At last he tried Foley's Kidney Remedy and a few large bottles effected a complete cure. He says "It has been of inestimable value to me." Sold by all druggists.

They who crawl in the dark think they travel faster than those who walk in the light.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS.

Tonic in quality and action, quick in results. For backache, headache, dizziness, nervousness; urinary irregularities and rheumatism. Sold by all druggists.

Don't kick if people distrust you. Who's to blame?

To keep your health sound; to avoid the ills of advancing years; to conserve your physical forces for a ripe and healthful old age, guard your kidneys by taking Foley's Kidney Remedy. Sold by all druggists.

GOOD LIFE INSURANCE — CHEAP in the American Life Association, Empire Building, Birmingham, Alabama; costs only fraction of ordinary life insurance; is open to healthy white men and women 15 to 80 years of age. VERY EASY TERMS; will credit good people for part; children can pay for insuring parents and become the beneficiaries; write immediately for rates and terms.

JUST IN TIME

Some Okolona People May Wait Until It's Too Late.

Don't wait until too late. Be sure to be in time. Just in time with kidney ills Means curing the back Before backache becomes chronic; Before serious urinary troubles set in.

Doan's Kidney Pills will do this. Here is testimony to prove it.

C. J. Shumaker, Church St., Tupelo Miss., says: "I doubt if there is any person in a better position to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills than I. My back was so sore and painful that on one occasion I was obliged to lay off from work for three weeks. I was badly run down and was hardly able to drag one foot after the other. My nerves were unstrung, I slept poorly and my complexion became sallow. I spent a great deal of money doctoring, but received no benefit. One day when feeling miserable, Doan's Kidney Pills were brought to my attention and I was so impressed that I procured a supply. Wonderful relief followed the first few doses and in six weeks after beginning the use of Doan's Kidney Pills, I was entirely cured."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

The man who has no faith in human nature is not to be trusted.

A man doesn't feel so smart over having become engaged after it has grown into marriage.

As a gentle hint to the mercury in the thermometer, there is plenty of room at the top.

We feel sorry for a man who hasn't sense enough to make use of his good judgment.

Country people make their own jam, but people in the city get theirs in the street cars.

A great many people undertake to pass off a grouch as individual mentality.

There is but one spectacle sadder than a neglected wife, and that is a neglected husband.

We feel sorry for a man who hasn't sense enough to make use of his good judgement.

If some men would spend more time in the open air they would have more hair.

The less people know about each other, the politer they are when they meet.

One fool sets a fad and you know the rest by their trotting after him.

No man is entitled to credit for being good if he isn't tempted.

A man always tries to conceal his virtues under his virtues.

Some people call children angels so as to forget their need of clothes.

Wireless telegraphy is an accomplished fact, but wireless politics will always be an iridescent dream of the humanity impossible.

A kind word thrown at your husband will go farther towards a new bonnet than a rolling pin will.

The kaiser was not going to let Teddy out-do him. He has got him a newspaper and is now an editor.

We would never learn to pray if all our prayers were answered.

The heart without fellow feeling can have no room for divine faith.

WHY HE ADVERTISES.

A prominent business man of Michigan gives the following good reason for advertising and explains why he uses the newspaper for that purpose: "I advertise in the newspapers because I am not ashamed of my goods or my work and to let people know about myself, my store and my stock; because I cater to the intelligent class and they read the papers, and I believe in increasing my business; because I can talk to more people throughout the newspapers at a greater distance in less than and at a more reasonable price than in any other way, because my newspaper advertising has brought me greater returns for the least expenditure of any advertising I have done; because when I write an ad I am not too stingy to pay for placing it in the best possible medium or to have it inserted so it is attractive, because I know my ad is seen and read by everyone in the house where the paper goes."—Ex.

WHAT HOME PAPERS DO.

The papers of the cities are all right if you want them, but remember that it is your own home papers that advertise your churches, your schools, your various societies, your entertainments for the public benefit and enterprises of all sorts for the public good. It is the local paper that write up wedding festivities and all kinds of social functions, as well as obituaries, and mentions the thousand and one items in which you are interested during the year and do not find in the city dailies. And yet there are people who are behind on their subscriptions to their home papers, but, oh, my, how mad they get when the editor duns them for what they owe.

Good roads are a great blessing to the farmer, and of equal benefit to the merchant, and by all means we of the Third District should encourage this movement, for we know of no place that needs good roads over which the farmers can reach a market with their produce, more than our own city of Okolona.

There is no question before the people of our county of more vital importance than that of good roads, and we trust that every citizen of this city and district will attend the meeting on September 10th, and take an active interest in this matter, and if you cannot make a speech advocating the movement, listen to those who will do so, and encourage the proposition by your presence.

Mrs. H. I. Randolph entertained a large number of guests at rook on Friday last. The gracious hostess greeted her guests on the porch, where refreshing punch was served, and tally cards given for tables numbering from 1 to 14. After an afternoon full of fun and pleasure ices and cakes were served by several charming young ladies. The many guests were lavish in their praises of Mrs. Randolph's hospitality.

Most youngsters of this age learn so rapidly that it is almost impossible for the average high school to keep up with them.

Men sometimes build better than they know. But the contractor on a political job always knows better than he builds.

A burnt child dreads the fire. Probably that's why a newly married man tries to avoid his old flames.

STRAW VOTE FOR VARDAMAN

Mendenhall, Miss. Aug. 17th—Several citizens of Mendenhall and surrounding country returned last night on the excursion train over the Gulf & Ship Island Railroad from McNeil, where they went to the governmental station to get instructions how to deal with the boll weevil.

A straw vote was taken on the train for candidates for the United States Senate, and the vote stood as follows: Jas. K Vardaman, 272; Leroy Percy, 35, and C. H. Alexander 176. Those who took part in the straw vote were citizens living along the line of the Gulf & Ship Island railroad between Jackson and Hattiesburg.

J. W. PENNEBAKER DEAD.

James W. Pennebaker, a veteran of the Spanish-American war, died in the City Hospital, Memphis, Sunday night, from an overdose of morphine. We cannot say whether his death was due to accident, or whether it was taken with suicidal intent, as he had been addicted to the drug habit for years, having contracted the habit while in the army. We have known Jim for several years, and he had been working for us for the past four months. He left here on the 12:28 train Saturday for Memphis, to take the treatment for the drug habit; he was 35 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child, a daughter, 8 years old, living in Texas; the bereaved ones have the sympathy of all in their sad affliction.

Prof. J. J. Huggins and family left yesterday for Como, where they will reside in the future. Prof. Huggins having been elected principal of the schools of that city. Prof. Huggins has been principal of the High School of this city for about ten years, and has given perfect satisfaction. He is recognized as one of the leading educators in the State, and while we regret to lose him and his estimable family, yet we wish them happiness and success in their new home.

Gentle reader, if you owe us anything on subscription, please settle at once, as we need the money to pay our obligations.

The Christian meeting begins here next Monday, August 29th, conducted by Elder McCorkle, of Baldwin. The services will be held in the Presbyterian Church, instead of Creighton's cotton shed, as previously announced. Bro. McCorkle is a fluent speaker and a thorough Bible student. The entire community is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. J. L. Lyon, who has been visiting relatives at Hattiesburg and Pontotoc for the past six weeks, has returned home. No wonder the young one-armed veteran's bright countenance beams forth with such joy and gladness.

Mrs. S. D. Murphree gave a delightful porch party on the 19th, the game of rook being the amusement of the afternoon. Many exciting games were enjoyed until long after the last rays of "old Sol" had sunk in the west. Delicious punch was served during the games, and tempting refreshments afterwards were enjoyed. To the bright little hostess the guests were indebted for an afternoon full of genuine heart pleasure.

He who is most slow in making a promise is the most faithful in the performance of it.

As small letters hurt the eyes, so do small matters hurt the heart that is too much intent upon them.